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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ABIDJAN DOUALA JULY 2

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QUOTE

PLEASE PASS TO CHAIRMAN DIGGS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP (DIGGS, CHARLES C., JR.)

SUBJ: CODEL DIGGS: TRAVEL TO CAPE VERDES INDEPENDENCE
CEREMONIES

1. EMBASSY DISCUSSIONS WITH GOS OFFICIALS JULY 2 REVEAL
THAT OFFICIAL SENEGALESE DELEGATION LED BY MINISTER
PUBLIC HEALTH MATAR NDIAYE LEFT DAKAR FOR CAPE VERDES
EARLY JULY 2. DELEGATION OF THREE WILL BE FLYING VIA
BISSAU AND USING COMMERCIAL RATHER THAN GOVERNMENT OR
CHARTER FLIGHT.

2. GUINEA-BISSAU EMBASSY INFORMS US THAT INDEPENDENCE
CEREMONIES EXPECTED TO BEGIN EARLY MORNING JULY 5 AND
THAT ARRIVAL OF GUESTS AFTERNOON JULY 5 WOULD NOT RPT
NOT BE ADVISABLE. UNFORTUNATELY, AIR SENEGAL CHARTER
STILL UNAVAILABLE FOR DEPARTURE EARLIER THAN NOON
JULY 5.

3. GUINEA-BISSAU AMBASSADOR FLAVIO PROENCA HAS BEEN
INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AND IS INDISPOSED. HOWEVER,
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HIS DEPUTY AT GB EMBASSY, FURTADO, STATED TO US

TODAY THAT CAPE VERDES GOVERNMENT HAD REPEATED ITS ASSURANCES THAT ALL GUESTS, INCLUDING CODEL DIGGS PARTY OF FOUR WILL RPT WILL BE HOUSED AND FED. WHEN PRESSED FOR DETAILS OF ACCOMMODATIONS FURTADO SAID HE WOULD INQUIRE AGAIN BUT WAS NOT AT ALL OPTIMISTIC THAT GUESTS CAN BE TOLD IN ADVANCE SPECIFICALLY WHAT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE EITHER FOR PROGRAMMING DAY BEFORE CEREMONY OR FOR ACCOMMODATIONS. HE APOLOGIZED FOR INABILITY OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT (WITH VERY LIMITED RESOURCES) TO BE MORE SPECIFIC AND SAID HE KNEW THAT PG WOULD ASSURE COMPLETE ATTENTION TO VISITORS, ESPECIALLY SINCE VERY FEW GUESTS HAD BEEN INVITED.

4. IF CODEL PARTY TRAVELS DAKAR-PRAIH, AS GM EMBASSY "UNOFFICIALLY" SUGGEST, ON TRANSCAP SPECIAL FLIGHT LEAVING DAKAR 0900 JULY 4, IT WOULD DEPART PRAIH AT 1800 JULY 5 ON SAME PLANE FOR RETURN TO DAKAR. AGGREY UNQUOTE AGGREY

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